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BRIEF  
TO: ~~IMMEDIATE~~ ROUTINE BRIEF.

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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST/AFRICA BRIEF [REDACTED] FOR 25 FEBRUARY 1986.

FROM: DDI/O/CPAS

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1. PAKISTAN-US: AID TALKS

//A PAKISTANI DELEGATION LED BY NEW FINANCE MINISTER MOHAMMAD WATTOO ARRIVES IN THE US THIS WEEK TO PUSH HARD FOR INCREASED ASSISTANCE IN A NEW MULTIYEAR AID PACKAGE. [REDACTED]

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WATTOO HAS "EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE" THE NEW PACKAGE WILL BE  
"SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER" THAN THE CURRENT \$3.2 BILLION.

//THE NEW CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT WANTS INCREASED US AID  
TO BOLSTER ITS POSITION DURING THE TRANSITION TO A MORE  
REPRESENTATIVE POLITICAL SYSTEM. SUCH AID WOULD HELP IT DEVELOP A  
BROADER CONSTITUENCY WHILE KEEPING THE SUPPORT OF THE MILITARY.  
PAKISTAN IS AWARE OF US BUDGET CONSTRAINTS, HOWEVER, AND WOULD  
PROBABLY SETTLE FOR A PACKAGE NEAR CURRENT LEVELS.

## 2. INBRIEFS

### MIDDLE EAST

--//LATEST OPINION POLL SHOWS ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF ISRAELIS  
OPPOSE ANY EXPANSION OF ISRAELI MILITARY PRESENCE IN SOUTHERN  
LEBANON . . . PUBLIC MOOD PROBABLY IMPORTANT FACTOR IN DECISION TO  
END SEARCH FOR SOLDIERS CAPTURED BY HIZBALLAH.

### AFRICA

... OAU REFUSED TRIPOLI'S EARLIER CALL FOR EMERGENCY  
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